At the Court at WHITEHALL,

August the 14, 1663.

Present

The Kings most Excellent Majesty,

Lord Chancellour	Earl of Middleton
Lord Treasurer	Earl of Carbery
Lord Privy-Seal	Lord Bishop of London
Duke of Buckingham	Lord Wentworth
Duke of Albemarle	Lord Berkeley
Lord Chamberlain	Lord Ashley
Earl of Berkshire	Sir William Compton
Earl of St. Alban	Mr. Treasurer
Earl of Sandwich	Mr. Vice-Chamberlain
Earl of Anglesey	Mr. Secretary Morice
Earl of Bathe	Mr. Secretary Bennet.

TO the end the World may the better take notice of His Majesties Royal Intention to observe the Act of Indempnity and General Pardon inviolably, for the Publique good and Satisfaction of

all His Subjects, It was this day Ordered, That a Copy of the Order of this Board of the 5th inſtant, touching the illegal Proceedings in the *Iſle of Man* againſt *William Chriſtian*, and putting him to death, contrary to the ſaid Act of General Pardon, be ſent unto His Majeſties Printer; who is commanded forthwith to Print the ſame in the Engliſh Letter, *in Folio*, in ſuch manner as Acts of Parliament are uſually printed, and His Majeſties Arms prefixed.

Richard Bromme.

At the Court at Whitehall, the 3th of August 1663.

GEorge Chriſtian, Son and heir of William Chriſtian deceaſed, having exhibited his Complaint to his Majeſty in Council, That his Father being at a Houſe of his in his Majeſties Iſle of Man, was impriſoned by certain perſons of that Iſland, pretending themſelves to be a Court of Juſtice; That he was by them accuſed of high Treaſon, pretended to be committed againſt the Countess Dowager of Derby, in the year 1651. And that they thereupon proceeded to Judgement, and cauſed him to be put to death, notwithſtanding the Act of General Pardon and Indempni-

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ty (whereof he claimed the benefit) and his Appeal to His Majesty; and humbly imploring His Majesties princely Compassion towards the distressed Widow, and seven Fatherless Children of the deceased: His Majesty was graciously pleased, with the Advice of His Council, to Order, That Thomas Norris and Hugh Cannell, the two Judges (by them in that Island called Deemsters) and Richard Stevenson, Robert Colcott, and Richard Tidesley, three of the Members of the pretended Court of Justice, and Henry Nowell Deputy Governour of the said Island, should be forthwith sent for, and brought up by a Serjeant at Arms, here, before His Majesty in Council, to appear and answer to such accusations as should be exhibited against them; which said six persons being accordingly brought hither, the fifteenth day of July last appointed for a full hearing of the whole business, the Earl of Derby then also summoned to appear, and the Lord Chief Justice of the Kings Bench, and the Lord Chief Baron of His Majesties Exchequer, with the Kings Counsel Learned in the Laws required to be present, and all parties called in, with their Counsel and Witnesses; After full hearing of the whole matter on both sides, and the parties withdrawn, the said Judges being desired to deliver their Opinion, did (in presence of the Kings Counsel Learned in the Laws) declare, That the Act of

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General Pardon and Indemnity did, and ought to be understood to extend into the Isle of Man, as well as into any other of his Majesties Dominions, and Plantations beyond the Seas; And that being a publique general Act of Parliament, it ought to have been taken notice of by the Judges in the Isle of Man, although it had not been pleaded, and although there were no Proclamation made thereof: His Majesty being therefore deeply sensible of this great Violation of his Act of General Pardon, whereof his Majesty hath always been very tender, and doth expect and require, that all his Subjects in all his Dominions and Plantations shall enjoy the full benefit and advantage of the same; And having this day taken this business into further Consideration, and all Parties called in and heard, did, by and with the Advice of the Council, Order, and it is hereby Ordered, That all persons any way concerned in the seisure of the Estate of the said William Christian deceased, or instrumental in the Ejection of the Widow and Children out of their Houses and Fortune, do take care, that intire Restitution be made of all the said Estate, as well real as personal, as also all Damages sustained, with full Satisfaction for all Profits by them received since the said Estate hath been in their hands. And that, whereas the said William

Christian

Chriſtian deceaſed, was one of the Two lives remaining in an Eſtate in Lancaſhire, That the detriment accrewing by the untimely death of the ſaid William Chriſtian, therein, or in like caſes, ſhall be eſtimated, and in like manner fully repaired. That in regard of the great Trouble and Charges the Complaynants have been at in purſuit of this buſineſs, Ordered, That they do exhibit to this Board a true Accompt upon Oath of all Expences and Damages by them ſuſtained in the Journeys of themſelves and Witneſſes, and of all other their Charges in the following of this buſineſs.

And whereas Ewan Curghey, Samuel Ratcliffe, and John Ceſar, were by the ſame Court of Juſtice impriſoned, and had their Eſtates ſeiſed and confiſcated, without any legal Trial, It is Ordered, That the ſaid Ewan Curghey, Samuel Ratcliffe, and John Ceſar be likewiſe reſtored to all their Eſtates real and perſonal, and fully repaired in all the Charges and Expences which they have been at ſince their firſt Impriſonment, as well in the Proſecution of this buſineſs, as in their Journey thither, or any other way whatſoever thereunto relating; The which Satisfaction, Expences, and all other Sums of Money to be raiſed by vertue of this

Order, are to be furnished by the Deemsters, Members, and Assistants of the said Court of Justice, who are hereby Ordered to raise all such the said Sums, and thereof to make due Payment, and give full Satisfaction unto the Parties respectively hereby appointed to receive it.

And to the end the guilt of that Bloud, which hath been unjustly spilt, may in some sort be expiated, and his Majesty receive some kind of Satisfaction for the untimely loss of a Subject, It is Ordered, That the said Thomas Norris, and Hugh Cannell, who Decreed this violent death, be committed, and remain Prisoners in the Kings Bench, to be proceeded against in the Ordinary course of Justice, so to receive condign punishment according to the merit of so heinous a fact.

That Richard Stevenson, Robert Collcott, and Richard Tildesley be discharged from farther Restraint, giving good Security to appear at this Board whensoever summoned, and not depart this City until full Satisfaction shall be given, and all Orders of this Board whatsoever relating to this business fully executed in the Island.

And in regard that upon the Examination

mination of this business, it doth appear, That Edward Christian, being one of the Deemsters or Judges in the Isle of Man, did, when the Court refused to admit of the deceased William Christians Plea of the Act of Indemnity, make his Protestation against their Illegal Proceedings, and did withdraw himself, and came into England to solicite his Majesty, and implore his Justice: It is Ordered, That the Earl of Derby do forthwith by Commission in due and accustomed manner, restore, constitute and appoint the said Edward Christian one of the Deemsters or Judges of the said Island, to remain and continue in the due execution of the said place.

And lastly, It is Ordered, That the said Henry Nowell Deputy Governour, (whose fault hath been the not complying with, and yielding due obedience to the Orders of His Majesty and this Board sent into the Island) giving good Security to appear at this Board whensoever summoned, be forthwith discharged from all farther Restraint, and permitted to return into the Island; and he is hereby strictly Commanded to imploy the Power and Authority, which, by virtue of his Commission he hath in that Island, in performance of and obedience to all Commands and Orders of

of His Majeſty and this Board in this whole buſineſs, or any way relating thereunto.

Signed by

Lord Chancellour
Lord Treaſurer
Lord Privy-Seal
Duke of Albemarle
Lord Chamberlain
Earl of Berkſhire
Earl of St. Alban
Earl of Angleſey
Earl of Sandwich
Earl of Bathe
Earl of Middleton
Earl of Carbery
Lord Biſhop of London
Lord Wentworth
Lord Berkeley
Lord Aſhley
Sir William Compton
Mr. Treaſurer
Mr. Vice-Chamberlain
Mr Secretary Morice
Mr. Secretary Bennet.

Richard Browne
Clerke of the Council.

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